

Troopers Arrest Bridgville Man After Pursuit Through Georgetown

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Keandre L. Smith

Georgetown- The Delaware State Police Sussex County Drug Task Force (DTF) have arrested a Bridgville man after he fled from

troopers on a traffic stop.

The investigation began around 10:00 Friday July 29, 2016, when troopers assigned to the DTF were actively looking for **Keadre L. Smith**, 26 of Bridgeville, who was wanted on a Rule 9 warrant out of Sussex County Superior Court for Drug Dealing. Detectives located Smith near the Lingo Creek Apartments in Millsboro and watched as he entered a 2006 Chevrolet Impala and traveled west toward Georgetown. Troopers and Probation Officers assigned to the Sussex County Governor's Task Force (GTF) and State Police Aviation (Trooper 2) were contacted and responded to the area of Zoar Road east of Speedway Road where a traffic stop was initiated on the vehicle.

As the trooper approached the driver's side of the vehicle and instructed Smith to turn it off, he suddenly accelerate the car forward and drove across a residential lawn before turning northbound on DuPont Boulevard (US113) to avoid apprehension. Troopers began to pursue the Impala with Trooper 2 maintaining a clear visual of the car as it approached US113 and County Seat Highway (US9). There it turned eastbound on US9 and continued onto Old Furnace Road where it eventually stopped at a residence in the 24000 block of Concord Pond Road.

Smith then exited the vehicle and ran into the house before coming back out moments later on his own free will and was taken into custody without further incident. A visual search of the vehicle by troopers after the car had stopped at the house revealed two young children of Smith's were inside the vehicle as he was traveling recklessly on the roadways. The 5-year-old and 1-year-old daughters of Smith were turned over to the mother at the house and were uninjured.

Keandre Smith was transported back to Troop 4 where he was charged with two counts of Reckless Endangering 1st, Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony (Vehicle), Disregarding a Police Officer's Signal, two counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, Resisting

Arrest, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and various other traffic related offenses. He was arraigned on those charges as well as the two Rule 9 charges of Dealing Drugs and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$117,250.00 cash bond.

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